# Meeting of Library Board **Tuesday**, September 6, 2016 Library Meeting Room 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Elizabeth Timmins, Jason Finn, Ann Huettl-Samson, Sandy Kailhofer,

Amy Mueller, Cathy Rydzewski, Patti Lardinois

Absent: Sandy Heiden

### Call to Order

- Meet the staff, Kaarina Menting
  - We learned about Kaarina's country of origin, Finland.
  - Kaarina told us about her "big vegetable" hobby. She showed us a picture of one of her "big pumpkins" weighing in at 1400 lbs. And then a 6 lb. tomato. It was remarked that the tomato was as big as a roast and could provide a BLT fit for a king!

## Reports

### Minutes

- Minutes from August 2016 meeting
- Sandy K. Motioned acceptance; Patti L. seconded; motion carried

# Director's Report August 2016

No questions

### Financial Report

- July and August, 2016 financial reports
- Patti L. made a motion to accept the July report and Sandy K. seconded and the motion carried
- Cathy R. made a motion to accept the August report and Jason F. seconded and the motion carried

## **Activities Report** August 2016

Accepted as presented

## **Unfinished Business**

- Now on winter hours
  - Open until 6 on Fridays instead of 5.
  - Open Saturdays 10 to 2.
- Adult book group resumes
  - You received the reading list at the June board meeting.
- Donation from Firefighers, big thank you
  - Thank you was sent around to be signed for the \$1000 donation.
  - Great discussion about literacy concerns and reluctant readers that were mentioned when Elizabeth spoke to the Firefighters in July.

 Great tip for Elizabeth to get in touch with new employee at the district, Michelle Grassel.

## Amazing programming coming our way this fall!

- Downton Abbey event, Sunday, September 18, noon to 3
- o Finding Joy author Joy Haefs Rewick, Thursday, September 22, 7 to 8
- o Artist Carlos Nieto III anime workshop Saturday, October 1, 10 to 11

#### **New Business**

- Wheelchairs, Mobility Aids, and other Power-driven mobility devices
  - Just to know that new technologies are protected under the law.
- The Wisconsin Public Library System Redesign Project
  - This is a very important initiative for public libraries and public library systems in our state.
  - o ET will be reporting on it periodically in the upcoming months.
  - A wealth of information is available for your perusal at <a href="http://www.plsr.info/">http://www.plsr.info/</a>
    and it will be consistently updated
- Differentiating roles of Friends and Trustees/when do the two blur?/maintaining flow of communication between both boards
  - We defined the key roles of Friends—to fundraise, advocate, augment the budget, brainstorm programming, support director
  - We defined the key roles of the Board—to provide vision, advocate, administer the budget, brainstorm programming, support director
  - Clearly, the two groups are working parallel on very similar goals. Best practice is for the two groups to communicate to each other often!
- T. E. Library Friends and Library Foundation

http://dpi.wi.gov/sites/default/files/imce/pld/pdf/TE24.pdf

- No further discussion.
- Any additional business that might be brought before the board.

## None

 Ann H-S made a motion to adjourn; Sandy K. seconded the motion; motion carried at 6:30

Our next meeting will be October 3, 2016. Thank you.

Elizabeth took the notes on behalf of Sandy Heiden who had a Board meeting at the Black Creek Library on its regular scheduled Tuesday. Whew!